EDAVILANGU VILLAGE—WANT OF MOTORABLE ROADS

349. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any road, fit for motor traffic, and in Cochin State, connecting the village of Edavilangu with the rest of the State?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* There are no roads in the Edavilangu village which are fit for motor traffic. But the village is connected by motorable roads through the Kavil Kadavu Junghar service to the rest of the State.

KONATH BUND—CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL BUND

350. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether anything is being done to construct a bund from the Konath Bund to the south to protect the *nilams* between the latter bund and Keecheri?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* No.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will the Government consider the question of constructing the bund in view of the importance in saving those *niloms* to the extent of 20 thousand *paras* of paddy from brackish water?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The question will be looked into.

THOTTARA PUNCHA—WORKS FOR DRAINING OF

351. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether any further action has been taken to drain the waters of the Thottara *Puncha* in the Kaippattur village, Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The scheme is under further investigation.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* May I know whether any preliminary investigation has been done in this matter?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes. We have prepared a scheme, but further investigation was found necessary as a result of the borings taken. We met with granite rock and we are now making estimates for dealing with this matter.

Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* What will be the extent of the *niloms* known as Thottara Puncha?

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